

World War II

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Soldiers of the 7th Division cheer atop Okinawa's Hill 89 after the official flag raising that followed the Americans' capture of the Japanese position. The sign reads "Within this hill is sealed the command post of Lieutenant General Ushijima of the Japanese Army where, surrounded by his senior officers, he made his final stand. This hill was seized by troops of the 7th Infantry Division on 21 June 1945, thus ending the Battle of Okinawa."